SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

First Presbyterian Church
Tallahassee, Florida
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 8, 2024, 11:00 AM



GATHERING

Ringing of the Zimbelstern

Call to Worship Ethan Murphy

Trust in the Lord,

who made heaven and earth:

trust in the Lord,

who loves every part of it.

Trust in the Lord,

who cares for those in need;

trust in the Lord,

who leads us to do the same.

Let us worship God,

who shows us the way.

Voluntary Song 13 Percy Whitlock

Opening Prayer Rev. Glenn Hodges

*Hymn 318 In Christ There Is No East or West ST. PETER

*Call to Confession

You love us with open arms, O God.

Forgive us when we do not put your love into practice: when we do not challenge the injustice around us; when we are not generous with the gifts we have to share; when we are slow to compassion and quick to judgement; when we contribute to the brokenness of the world instead of helping to make it whole.

Forgive us, O God, of the ways we fall short.

Free us to try again,

and let your love lead the way.

*Assurance of Pardon

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

*Response

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Hymn 582

*The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

PROCLAIMING

Prayer for Illumination Hymn 459, v. I O Word of God Incarnate

MUNICH

^{*}Prayer of Confession

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 125:1-5

Epistle James 2:1–17

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*Hymn 848 Trust in God SONG 13

Gospel Mark 7:24–37 Rev. Glenn Hodges

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

RESPONDING

Affirmation of Faith The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven. was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried.

in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

On the third day he rose again

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and Apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Call to Offering

Presentation of Gifts, Tithes, and Offerings

Anthem Just As I Am Howard Helvey

Just as I am, without one plea,
But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou bidd'st me to come to
Thee,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt; Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, Thy love unknown, Has broken every barrier down; Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come. *Prayer of Dedication

SEALING

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

... who forever sing to the glory of your name, as we say together:

Sanctus — Hymn 556

Roberts

... for you alone are holy and great is the mystery of faith:

Memorial Acclamation — Hymn 557

Roberts

... all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, forever and ever.

Amen — Hymn 558

Roberts

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy <u>kindom</u> come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kindom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

The gifts of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

RENDEZ À DIEU

Hymn 507 Come to the Table of Grace

TABLE OF GRACE

*Prayer After Communion

SENDING

Bread of the World in Mercy Broken

*Hymn 610 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

*Blessing and Charge

Lead a life worthy of your calling, giving glory to God in all things.

Ephesians 4:1

Amen.

Hymn 499

The blessing of the one God—Spirit, Son, and Father—be with you now and always.

Ephesians 4:4-6

Alleluia!

Voluntary Fanfare Percy Whitlock

^{*}Asterisks indicate to please rise in body or spirit. Congregational responses are in **bold print**.

IN WORSHIP TODAY

"Kingdom" or "Kindom" in the Lord's Prayer? Our Scriptures were developed when Kingdoms were the going community structure. We realize now that other Biblical metaphors, like koinonia, more adequately capture the communities of care and genuine kin-ships about which Jesus taught and preached.

Prayer Concerns — We offer prayers for healing for Lorraine Williams (mother of Christy Williams), Steven Olson, Sarita Gustely, Jon Meier, Patricia Yeilding, Cindy Harden, Carol Lou Phillips, Joyce Crawford, Bev Breedlove, Tara Reynolds, Jodie Kim Geradine, Sandra Sherrard, Martha Snowden, and Catherine Parrish. We offer prayers for strength and mercy for the family of Lynn Coltas, who died on Sunday, September I and especially for his wife Ginny Coltas, who was the former Preschool Director; the family of former Parish Associate Emory Hingst, whose funeral took place in the sanctuary yesterday; for Evanna (Wayne Friedemann's sister); Vanessa Joy, her husband Kyle, and their three daughters; and for Patricia McCoy Delancey, Thaddeus Gillon, and Aidan (grandson of Sue Safford). We pray for the staff and volunteers of Second Harvest of the Big Bend; for all those recovering from storm damage; and for victims of gun violence in our community and our country. We pray for the Presbyterian Reformed Church in Cuba, Pastor Izett Samá Hernández, and Pastor Alison Infante. We pray for peace in Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, and around the world. We also pray for those in military service, including Brian Guisao, Ross Yielding, David DelRossi, and Owen Elzie.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children are welcome in this service as full members of God's family. Parents and children are invited to use whatever is useful in the basket by the back door. Child care for children under the age of kindergarten is in the Education Building. Please note that during worship the Education Building is locked. Please enter through the breezeway door.

Restrooms are located in this building through the door at the end of each aisle of the sanctuary.

An induction loop system is available in the sanctuary. To use the system, switch your compatible hearing aid to the T-telephone mode or request a wireless headset from an usher.

Large print versions of the Glory to God hymnal and worship bulletin are available from ushers.

Visitors: We are glad you are here this morning! If you have questions about our congregation or about church membership, please let us know by using the friendship registers or speaking to one of the greeters so we can connect you with the right people. We welcome new members during worship on the second Sunday of each month. We welcome new members during worship on the second Sunday of each month. Please join us in the courtyard after worship today for lemonade.

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Let us know you came to Worship Today!



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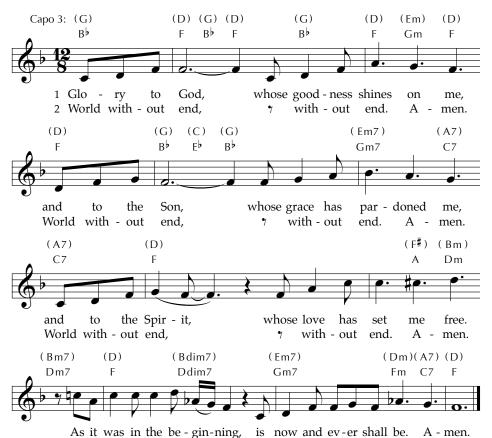
In Christ There Is No East or West 318



This text formed a very small part of an elaborate Christian missionary pageant in the early 20th century, yet it has endured while the grander aspects of that production have faded away. It is set to a simple 19th-century tune that does not get in the way of its message.

582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me



THE WORD O Word of God Incarnate Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high, 2 The church from you, dear Sav - ior, re - ceived this gift di - vine; make your church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of pur - est gold Truth un-changed, un-chang-ing, O Light of our dark sky: still that light all the earth to shine. lift - ed on is bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old; ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page, we praise you for the the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through, teach your wan-dering pil-grims by this our path to

9: p

a - mid the rocks and quick-sands still guides, O Christ, to

our foot - steps, shines on from age

we

see you face to

The opening four lines of this hymn celebrate attributes of Christ that are revealed through holy Scripture, which serves as a lantern, a chart, and a compass for the church in seeking to know Christ better. The setting of the tune comes from Felix Mendelssohn's *Elijah*.

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lan - tern

age.

you.

face.



Psalm 125 is one of the songs that would have been sung by Jewish pilgrims going to Jerusalem. As the imagery of this paraphrase suggests, it was probably reserved for use during the final ascent to the city, closing with a prayer for peace wherever God's faithful people dwell.

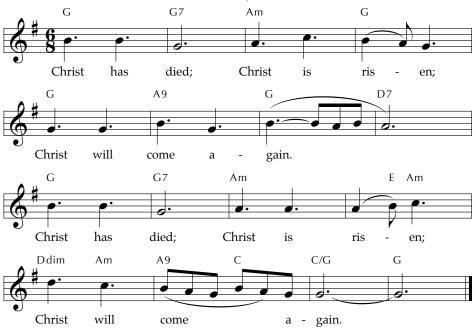
717 For the Life That You Have Given



The text was commissioned in 1987 by Fourth Presbyterian Church in Chicago, where it has continued to be used each Sunday as the offertory response. The triune activity of God as Creator (line 1), Savior (line 2), and Sustainer (line 7) enables and inspires our thanks and praise.



557 Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen



TEXT: Trad. liturgical text

MUSIC: Leon Roberts, 1981; arr. Hanan Yaqub, 1998

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558 Amen G G7 Am G Α9 Α men, a men, a - men, a - men, G D7 G G7 Am 0. 0. a men, a men, a E Am Ddim Am Α9 C/G G • men, a men, a men.

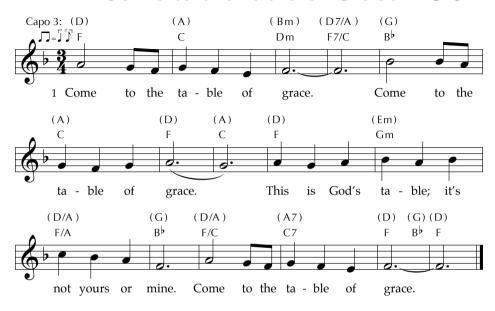
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499 Bread of the World in Mercy Broken



This prayer-text divides into distinct halves, the first four lines being an extended address to Christ, and the last four being a series of petitions. These carefully crafted words are set to one of the most majestic tunes to emerge from the tradition of Reformed psalmody.

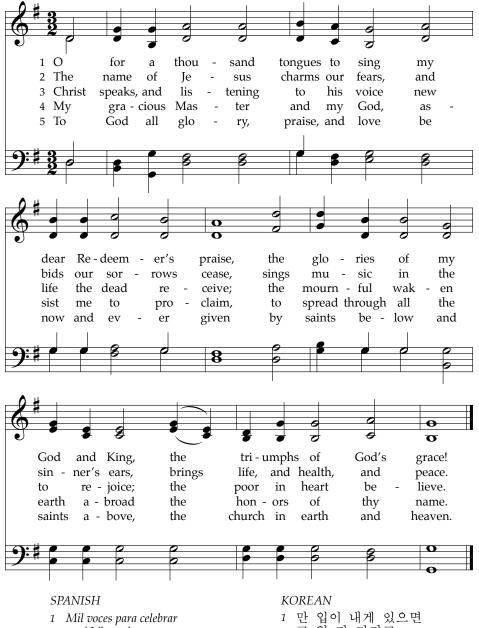
Come to the Table of Grace



- 2 Come to the table of peace...
- 3 Come to the table of love...
- 4 Come to the table of hope...
- 5 Come to the table of joy...

The simple, formulaic nature of this song makes it especially suitable for use during the communion portion of the Lord's Supper. Because it can be learned readily and does not require reference to a printed source, it frees people to sing before and after receiving the elements.

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing



a mi Libertador, las glorias de su majestad, los triunfos de su amor.

 \supset 입 다 가지고 찬송하겠네

This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his lifechanging conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.